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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

The Situation in Vietnam  
(As of 1500 EDT)

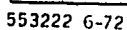
1. Enemy units were most active in Military Region 4 on 10 June. Heavy fighting is continuing around the Tuyen Binh District town in Kien Tuong Province; at least 80 people were killed by Communist artillery fire on the town during the day. This morning's shelling of Moc Hoa, the Kien Tuong provincial capital, was followed up by a lighter shelling in the afternoon, and an estimated 2,000 residents of the city have reportedly fled.

2. The enemy is also launching attacks in other parts of the delta. A Popular Force outpost in Kien Hoa Province was overrun by a Viet Cong unit on the morning of 10 June; two outposts were attacked in Kien Giang Province; and in Bac Lieu Province, enemy forces overran four outposts, forced the abandonment of two others, and captured a village headquarters. In northern An Xuyen Province, a Communist force attacked the Thoi Binh District headquarters, penetrating the compound. The attack was repulsed, and South Vietnamese forces were also able to drive off an enemy battalion sighted later in the day just south of the town.

3. In Gia Dinh Province, an assistant village security chief was assassinated by the Viet Cong less than five miles from downtown Saigon. This is the fifth instance since 28 May of Communist terrorist action against government security personnel near Saigon.

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4. Action elsewhere in the country has been light. South Vietnamese Marines on a spoiling operation in Quang Tri Province report moderate enemy resistance; Kontum City is quiet; no new developments have occurred in the An Loc area, where South Vietnamese forces south of the town report continuing sporadic contact with enemy forces.

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